



From Deacon Mark Miller's Desk

I've learned ...

That being kind is more important than being right; That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

That when you're in love, it shows. That money doesn't buy class.

That just one person saying to me, 'You've made my day!' makes my day.

That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in any other way.

That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular. That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

That to ignore the facts does not change the facts; That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

That love, not time, heals all wounds; That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile; That life is tough, but I'm tougher; That God is Good and Loves me unconditionally.

That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them; That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it; That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.



The Prayer to Our Lady, Undoer of Knots

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

Virgin Mary, Mother of fair love, Mother who never refuses to come to the aid of a child in need, Mother whose hands never cease to serve your beloved children because they are moved by the divine love and immense mercy that exist in your heart, cast your compassionate eyes upon me and see the snarl of knots that exists in my life. You know very well how desperate I am, my pain, and how I am bound by these knots. Mary, Mother to whom God entrusted the undoing of the knots in the lives of his children, I entrust into your hands the ribbon of my life. No one, not even the evil one himself, can take it away from your precious care. In your hands there is no knot that cannot be undone. Powerful Mother, by your grace and intercessory power with Your Son and My Liberator, Jesus, take into your hands today this knot.

[Mention your request here]

I beg you to undo it for the glory of God, once for all. You are my hope. O my Lady, you are the only consolation God gives me, the fortification of my feeble strength, the enrichment of my destitution, and, with Christ, the freedom from my chains.

Hear my plea.

Keep me, guide me, protect me, o safe refuge!